

Buildings, Grounds and Sustainability Advisory Committee
November 14, 2023
Administrative Conference Room 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Attendees:

Gian Amrik, Julie Ceballos, Audrey Capristo, Peter Chow, Sam Connell, David Fisch, Simon Pennington, Matt Sullivan, Mike Teijeiro, Bret Watson

Minutes:

Approved.

Buildings, Grounds and Sustainability Website:

(Julie) Finalizing the website and will send the link to Peter once it is completed.

Energy and Sustainability Plan:

(Matt) Presented the sustainability plan.

(Mike) Asked about the carbon free plan and how does it impact the pool project. (Matt) There is no funding in Measure G to do this at the moment. The District will take a step back and reevaluate. (Mike) Is the district interested in reducing natural gas by 46%? (Matt) Yes, the District is interested in that. (Julie) The District should look at the infrastructure of the campus to see if it can change the system to be fully electric. (Sam) The District should think about where the measure G money comes from; the fund should be used to serve the people who pay the money. (Bret) The pool is a connection between the campus and the community. (Gian) When will be the pool available if installing gas system? (David) January 2027 earliest. (Mike) If the pool is installed with the hybrid system, it will be available to connect to the electric loop in the future.

Recology Pilot:

(Matt) Presented Recology Pilot Program at De Anza College. It has not been determined how long the pilot will go, but most likely it will be for the rest of the 2023-24 Academic Year and may go longer. Bret mentioned that the Recology Pilot Program will be observed at Foothill College with the intent to educate the campus prior to it being implemented at the Foothill campus. The education of the Recology 3 Bin Plan for the campus should start in the Spring 2024 Term.

Campus Signage:

(David) Presented the signage & wayfinding PowerPoint. David went through some of the historical aspects of the signage with layers that represent, the aggregate concrete that matches the aggregate concrete building sections, a brown horizontal plate that represents the brown wood beamed roofs and the top of the sign that reflects the green landscape. The negatives are that the lettering is very small, the color scheme is hard to see, and many signs do not have lighting, so they are hard to see at night. Dave said that there are multiple entrances to get to the upper main plateau of the campus. One of the slides reflected having landmarks that would distinguish what entrance was used by visitors and incorporating those landmarks on the maps. Dave suggested that the college look at replacing the exterior signage and not replace the interior signage at this point.

(Sam) Suggested the student and Anthropology Department involvement to help plan and design the signage.

(Gian) Mentioned how difficult it was as a first time student to navigate the Foothill Campus.

(Bret) Formed a subcommittee/working group for signage. The Signage Subcommittee includes (Gian Amrik, Audrey Capristo, Sam Connell, Simon Pennington, Bret Watson)